PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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For: METHOD FOR SCREENING A DRUG AMELIORATING INSULIN RESISTANCE

ELECTION RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated April 17, 0206, Applicants hereby elect, without traverse, the invention of Group XII containing Claims 17-18 drawn to a method of screening a drug that alters insulin resistance and utilizing SEQ ID No. 26.

An early and favorable Action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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